

Wonthaggi Primary News



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For your Diary

Tuesday 3rd November

- Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
(Student Free Day)

Thursday 5th November

- Grade 1 Tea Postponed
- Working Bee
2.30pm—5.00pm

Friday 13th November

- Start Junior School Swimming Program – Wonthaggi Heated Pool
- District 'Milo' Cricket Wonthaggi Reserve

Monday 16th November

- Whole School Pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty'

Thursday 10th December

- Parent/Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea

Friday 11th December

- Grade 6 Graduation

Tuesday 15th December

- Annual Family Picnic At Guide Park

Wednesday 17th December

- Christmas Sing-a-long

Friday 18th December

- Last Day of school year. Children dismissed at 1.00pm.

Grade 1 Tea Postponed.

New date to be announced at a later date.

From the Principal

University of NSW Testing

It was great to see the results of the students who took part in the University of NSW English Testing. Jade D & Brittany W received Participation Award. In the Top 30% Caitlyn T, Tanya, Ellen, Kyah, Meghan, Brittney T and Connor. Daisy and Hannah were in the top 10% and Molly in the top 1% in the state. Well done to every student who participated. Your achievements were fantastic.

English Online Testing

As some of you may be aware for the last two weeks our Preps, Year One and Two students have participated in our English online testing. This testing has been mandated Victoria wide and provides a rich source of information on students which our teachers are using to help inform future learning and teaching. The testing takes an hour per student. We have endeavoured to keep any adjustment to programs to a minimum, however at times there has been some changes to normal programs.

Office Refurbishment

We have shifted into our new office area. The new office door is the door to what used to be Room 8. The transformation has been quite amazing, with the improvements including a new sick bay area for students.

Buildings & Grounds Meeting and Working Bee

This Thursday we have a Buildings and Grounds Meeting from 3:45pm to approx. 4:30pm. The focus of this meeting will be to look at the brainstorming ideas for our Master Plan. Any interested parents are welcome to this meeting.

Our next Working Bee will be on Thursday 5th November from **2:30pm to 5:00pm**. We are currently developing a Master Plan for our school yard and garden area, so if you have any ideas regarding possible developments, can you please drop in and add it to the list in the office?

Principal
Wes Holloway

*Congratulation to our
'Students of the Week'*



Across the desk of the Assistant Principal .

We encourage our students to maintain an active and healthy lifestyle - today over a healthy breakfast at 'Over 2 Kates' Café the Grade 3/4O students supervised by Mrs Lesley O'Donohue & Mr Will Rankin and myself, celebrated and acknowledged & rewarded this class who have been able to walk or ride to and from school for an extended period - over the last 10 weeks. This has been part of the **'Walktober' Program**. Well done & thanks to all involved and who supported this marvellous program including Murray Goulburn, Bass Coast Shire Council & Ms Lisa Archibald, Coles & 'Over 2 Kates' Cafe.

It is imperative that for effective student learning and achieving student outcomes in the classroom to be maximised, students have the full support and encouragement from parents and families at home. A

healthy, positive, supportive school-home partnership is so vital in the development of our student's education. In the busyness and demands of home life, I know myself having 3 children at primary and secondary school, finding time to listen to them read, or discussing their school day and home work can often be a challenge, time wise. But as parents it is a worthwhile goal to aim - giving time and support in the pursuit of furthering the education of our students.

Vin Hally
Assistant Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

O/M	Briley	for working so hard on all our activities & for being a great listener.
O/W	Jessica	for her beautiful, neat handwriting.
1/2 H	Daniela	for her excellent listening skills & assisting others in the classroom.
1/2 L	Jonah	for demonstrating excellent leadership skills in the classroom.
1/2 S	Ivan	for his great effort with reading.
3/4 m	Holly	for being an excellent role model in class due to her hard working attitude.
3/4 o	Dylan	for his improved behaviour and attitude.
4/5 l	Hayley	for always being willing to help out her class mates.
4/5 W	Bobby	Welcome to Wonthaggi Primary.
	Blake	for trying his best at school.
	Joshua	for his positive attitude & good work in maths.
5/6 C	Jack	for achieving 100% in his maths test.
5/6 M	Tanya	for her continued excellence & effort in all school activities.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE ~ ACHIEVER OF THE WEEK- Emma L- For helping clean the class room

FUN AT 'ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL'



U N I V E R S I T Y O F N . S . W - M A T H S

The results from our participation in the Maths testing have arrived. Once again we had 19 students who were willing to put themselves on the line and compare their achievements to others. These children should be congratulated for their efforts.

Participation Certificates: Luke Gr3, Jaxon Gr3, Donald Gr5, Shaun Gr5, Matthew Gr5, Lachlan Gr5, Tanya Gr6.

Credit Certificate: Ella Gr3 top14%, Karlee Gr4 top 33%, Caitlyn Gr4 top33%, Gabrielle Gr5 top 16%, Jade Gr 5 top 31%, Connor Gr5 top 31%, Hannah Gr5 top 16%, Sam W Gr5 top25%, Angus Gr5 top 12%, Molly Gr6 top 32%, Meghan Gr6 top 22%, Brittney Gr6 top 32%.

GOOD LUCK

Best of luck to Reece G-H at the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi's Public Speaking Competition to be held on Friday, 30th October, commencing at 7pm at the Wonthaggi Cinema. Supporters welcome.

'WALKTOBER COMPETITION

"As part of last Wednesday's Walktober Day, Wonthaggi Primary organised a 10 week competition to see:

- Which class at our school was the most active
- Which students were the most active

Every Wednesday the students recorded, on a class chart, their means of travel to school. Students **who couldn't walk or ride (i.e. caught the bus) were given the chance to walk around the oval before the morning bell.** This way, everyone had the chance to be active.

Forty-one students from across the school were active in coming to school for 10 weeks in a row. This is a fantastic effort given the bad weather on some of those day! These students were rewarded with a healthy breakfast on Wednesday the 21st October, which was provided by the Bass Coast Shire and organised by Di Johnson. Many thanks go to Di, as the children (and a few teachers) really appreciated the delicious food on offer! Lisa Archibald from the Bass Coast Shire and Mark Lindsay from Gippsport were the special guests on the day and they talked to the students about the benefits of exercise and physical activity.

Grade 3/4 O was the class that had the highest percentage of active students whom rode or walked to school over a 10 week period. As such they enjoyed a fully catered breakfast held at Over to **Kate's Café on Wednesday the 28th October.** Thanks to Coles, Murray Goulbourn, Bass Coast Shire and Over to **Kate's Café for their generous support. The students felt very special to be sitting in a café and enjoyed the fantastic breakfast.**

Finally a big thankyou to Lisa Archibald for her drive and support in making the Walktober event a success. From the feedback of students and teachers, it is definitely an event that will be continued.

Will Rankin
Health & PE Coordinator



**GARAGE SALE @
WONTHAGGI**
150 Reed Crescent
Saturday Oct 31.
 Gate Opens 9am—1pm
 Boys & girls clothes sz 0000-6
 Shoes, toys, high chair, bassinet,
 blankets, household items, CD's,
 adult clothes and lots lots more
BARGAINS PRICES!!!

2009 CHILDREN'S WEEK EVENT!!
 South Coast Best Start invites you to:
FAMILY PICNIC DAY
Churchill Island Heritage Farm
 Friday 30th October
 10.30am—4.00pm
FAMILY ACTIVITIES ITINERARY
 11AM Milking Demonstration
 1pm BYO Picnic Lunch
 1.45pm Horse Drawn wagon rides
 2pm Baby Animal Nursery
 2.10pm Milking Demo
 2.30pm Black Smith display
 2.45pm Wallaby viewing
 3pm Sheep Shearing Demo
 3.15pm Working Dogs
Entrance Fees on the Day
 Adults \$8.24 and children 4-15 \$4.12
 Children under 4 & Family Day Care children &
 staff are FREE!
 Or \$20.60 for a Family (2 adults, 2 Children)
 For more information contact
 Helen Page 0400159410

CBA & PFA referral program
 Did you know that by taking out a new loan with the Commonwealth Bank in Wonthaggi that you could be helping the Parents and Friends Committee with fundraising? Our school has received over \$5,000 commission directly from CBA in Wonthaggi just in the past year. A big THANK YOU to those families who have assisted the school with these funds! If you are looking to borrow funds in the near or distant future and wish to discuss how the Commonwealth Bank can help you, please contact Lynda Sainsbury on 5672 1322 Wonthaggi Branch (and mention the School sent you).

Watch out Waffle is Coming
 For CHRISTMAS




4 weeks of ADVENT WORKSHOP
 Wednesday Nov 11th—Dec 5nd
 3:45 pm—5pm

Lots of 'Fun' Christmas activities
 For Primary age Kids.

Craft, songs, games, stories, videos
 about the true meaning of Christmas
 Cost \$2 per week

WONTHAGGI BAPTIST CHURCH
 Cr Broome Cres & McBride Ave
Registration & further details
 Geoff & Pam Pegler Ph 56724769


